s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v331)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a=832, common ratio $r=\left(\frac{5}{13}\right)^{1/10}$, and n=10 terms.

$$S = 832 + 756.18 + 687.27 + 624.64 + 567.72 + 515.98 + 468.96 + 426.23 + 387.39 + 352.08$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 756.18 + 687.27 + 624.64 + 567.72 + 515.98 + 468.96 + 426.23 + 387.39 + 352.08 + 320$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 7 + 7(6) + 7(6)^{2} + 7(6)^{3} + \cdots + 7(6)^{55} + 7(6)^{56} + 7(6)^{57} + 7(6)^{58}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.